AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph on page 13, lines 10-21 with the following:

The composite grammar maintained by context-free grammar engine 302 is constructed from a collection of binary grammars 308 that are formed by a compiler 310. Compiler 310 includes a front end 311 and a back end 312. Compiler front-end 311 converts text-formatted grammars 314, which in one embodiment are XML tagged grammars, into a set of instructions for building a binary grammar. These instructions are passed to compiler back-end 312 and direct back-end 312 to build binary structures that represents particular rules (grammar structures) in a grammar.